#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Implement the California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program.

Rulemaking 04-04-026 (Filed April 22, 2004)

# ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE

A prehearing conference (PHC) in the above-entitled matter will be held before Administrative Law Judge Anne E. Simon, May 18, 2005 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commission Courtroom, State Office Building, 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, California. Questions about the PHC date, time, or place should be directed to the Calendar Clerk at (415) 703-1203. Parties desiring expedited or daily transcripts should advise the Chief Hearing Reporter by telephone at (415) 703-2288, no later than three days prior to the PHC.

The PHC will address issues related to the calculation and adoption of the 2005 Market Price Referents (MPR). It is anticipated that the scoping memo following the PHC will set the scope and schedule for briefing, leading up to a Commission decision adopting the 2005 MPRs. Among the issues to be considered at the PHC are:

- 1. Gas and non-gas inputs for the 2005 MPR.
- 2. Modifications to the existing 2004 MPR methodology required to calculate the 2005 MPR.
- 3. Modifications to the adopted SCE Cash Flow and MPR Gas Forecast models.

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- 4. Applying the avoided cost model and methodology currently being used in R.04-04-025 to calculation of the 2005 MPR.<sup>1</sup>
- 5. Methodology for applying Time of Day (TOD) profiles to the 2005 MPR.<sup>2</sup>
- 6. Modifications to the MPR process (*e.g.*, calculation and release of MPRs) for 2005.
- 7. Modifications to the MPR—Supplemental Energy Payment calculation for 2005.

Parties may serve and file PHC statements of no more than seven pages not later than May 13, 2005. These brief statements should address in summary form the parties' principal interests in the above topics, and identify any other issues of concern for discussion at the PHC. The purpose of the PHC statements is to help inform and expedite discussion at the PHC, rather than to provide a complete picture of the parties' positions.

## IT IS RULED that:

1. A prehearing conference addressing issues related to the 2005 MPR will be held May 18, 2005 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commission Courtroom, State Office Building, 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, California.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The model, developed by Energy and Environmental Economics, Inc., is often referred to as the E3 model.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This discussion should build on the TOD MPR workshop held in April 2005.

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2. Parties may serve and file PHC statements of not more than seven pages no later than May 13, 2005.

Dated May 5, 2005, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ ANNE E. SIMON
Anne E. Simon
Administrative Law Judge

### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Setting Prehearing Conference on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated May 5, 2005, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ TERESITA C. GALLARDO
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